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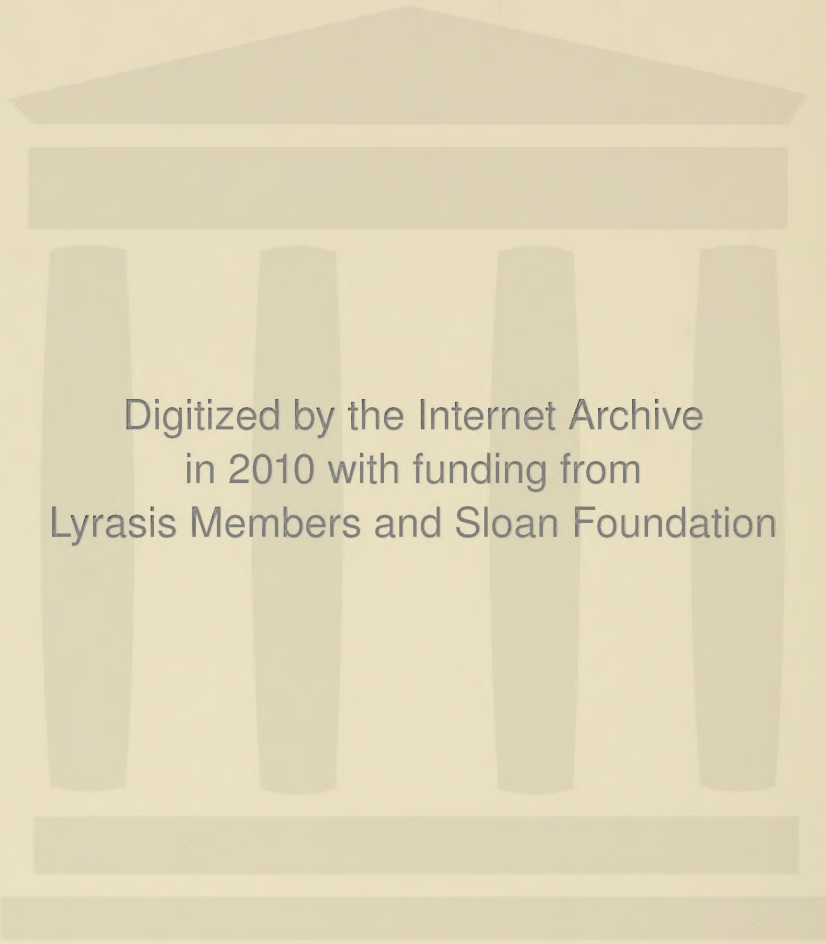
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Hugh Holman to Speak on September 24:

Thomason Library Dedication

Formal ceremonies dedicating Presbyterian College's new \$1.6 million James H. Thomason Library will be held on September 24, with Dr. C. Hugh Holman '36 of the University of North Carolina as the principal speaker.

In the symbolic highlight of the occasion, Mr. and Mrs. Thomason will step forward to cut the ribbon at the main entrance of the building named in his honor. This retired Laurens County business leader has been a generous benefactor and interested patron of the College over the past six years. His initial gift of \$250,000 to the library building program in 1968 and his subsequent deferred gift valued at \$500,000 make him the single largest individual donor in PC history. He also has contributed smaller amounts.

A main feature within the building is the Eugene T. Wilson Learning Center, named for Alumnus Eugene T. Wilson, former pastor of Atlanta's Peachtree Presbyterian Church which gave the facility in his honor. He also will participate in the dedication.

The September 24 program, held in conjunction with the morning student assembly, will start in Belk Auditorium with the address and litany of dedication and will conclude at the

library with a brief performance by the PC choir and the final ceremonies. President Marc C. Weersing, Trustee Chairman J. Austin Dilbeck, Librarian Lennart Pearson and student leaders also will participate.

The Thomason Library, situated in the center of the campus, was completed just in time to begin serving students at the start of the fall semester. The air-conditioned facility encompasses 45,000 square feet distributed over three levels and has a capacity for 175,000 volumes.

Hugh Holman, a 1936 PC graduate, is the Kenan professor of English who previously has served UNC as provost and as graduate school dean. He was a professor and then academic dean at Presbyterian before going in 1946 to North Carolina, where he earned his PhD degree and has distinguished himself as a teacher, administrator and writer. Dr. Holman is considered an authority on Southern literature and on Thomas Wolfe in particular. He is the author and co-author of a number of critical works, including **A Handbook of Literature**, the author of numerous articles and editor of such volumes as **The Thomas Wolfe Reader** and **The World of Thomas Wolfe**.



95th Session Brings New Faculty, Return to Semesters

An opening convocation address by Dr. Fred C. Davison, president of the University of Georgia and a PC trustee, launched the College into its 95th session with 842 students enrolled for the fall semester.

That total—composed of 500 men and 342 women—was under last year's record 879. A review of 1974 registration figures indicated the main drop came as a result of greater selectivity in admitting transfers.

This fall, after operating under the 13-13-7 calendar for the past four years, PC returned to the semester system. It combines the regular fall semester with a flexible spring semester which expands for optional off-campus study in May.

New professors coming into the departments at the start of the 1974-75 session are:

ECONOMICS & BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION — Foard H. Tarbert, Jr., assistant professor, completing work on his PhD at Clemson University after earning BA degree from Newberry College; and part-time instructor James L. Edwards, Clinton attorney who holds a law degree from the University of South Carolina.

ENGLISH — Mrs. Gloria B. Sims, assistant professor, working on her PhD at the University of Colorado and holder of MA from the University of North Carolina and BA from Central Wesleyan College; and Linda L. Suddeth, PC honor graduate of 1972, who returns as an instructor after completing MA requirements at Clemson University.

FINE ARTS — S. Ray Shead comes from the chairmanship of the LaGrange College art department to be assistant professor of art and brings commercial experience as well as

degrees from the Atlanta School of Art and the Art Center College of Design in Los Angeles. J. Skelly Warren, instructor in drama while Dale Rains is on leave for further study, holds his BFA degree from Northwestern University and his BA from the University of Houston. Music adds two part-time women instructors in Mrs. Edith M. Davis, holder of degrees from Ohio Wesleyan University and Clemson and since 1967 music coordinator of Laurens School District 55; and Anslie J. Waters, who recently earned her master of music degree from Converse College.

MATHEMATICS-PHYSICS — William W. Yarbrough, Jr., brings his new PhD from Vanderbilt University to his position as assistant professor of physics.

MILITARY — Two assistant professors of military science are Michael K. Evenson, field artillery captain with BA and MBA degrees from Georgia State University; and Miles W. Holmes, Jr., infantry captain with BA degree from Springfield College.

PSYCHOLOGY — Forrest G. "Pete" Hutchings III returns to the faculty as an assistant professor with his new EdD from the University of Georgia after a two-year leave-of-absence. An addition is Marion T. Gaines IV, also an assistant professor, who comes from Florida State University after recently earning his PhD there. His MS is from Florida State; and his BA degree, from the University of Maryland.

RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY — Harry C. Stafford, instructor in religion, expects to receive his PhD from Florida State in December, and holds the BA degree from Samford University and MDiv. from Columbia Theological Seminary.

PC Balances Budget 16th Year; But Inflation Pressures Build

PC operated with a balanced budget in 1973-74 for the 16th consecutive year, the auditing firm of S. D. Leidesdorf & Co. officially reported last month.

"It does not mean we have enough funds for our needs," President Weersing said, "but simply that we force ourselves to operate within the bounds of what God has provided us. This is a responsibility we owe our supporting constituencies, and we hope it merits their increased support. Inflationary pressures are so great that PC will need more support in the months ahead to keep the budget balanced."

Besides the budget gifts of the Synod of the Southeast, PC receives current operating funds through endowment income and through Annual Giving contributions from alumni, parents and friends.

The report by the certified public accountants showed Presbyterian College with revenues of \$3,588,281 and expenditures of \$3,583,819 for the fiscal year which ended last May 31.

In the area of capital funds added to plant and endowment over the past fiscal year, PC's net plant fund increased by \$352,000 while the endowment rose by \$280,000.

As the College moves into its 95th session, it now has total assets valued at \$17 million, plant and equipment amounting to \$11 million, and an endowment of \$5 million.

For Closer Contact With Synod Churches



A new position of associate admissions director has been filled by Glenn W. Small, Jr., an ordained Presbyterian minister who will concentrate on student recruitment and church relations primarily in the Synod of the Southeast.

He will maintain a PC office in Atlanta in his contact work among Presbyterian congregations of Georgia and South Carolina. He will also do some limited recruiting in Florida, North Carolina and Virginia under the supervision of Admissions Director Joe Nixon.

Another addition to Nixon's staff this year is Roberta Dodds, a 1974 PC graduate who will work as an admissions counselor. She was an active campus leader during her student days here.

Glenn Small was director of admissions at Tift College 1972-74 and assistant director of admissions at St. Andrews Presbyterian College 1968-70. He holds degrees from Hampden-Sydney College and Columbia Theological Seminary and has been an assistant minister at Lawrenceville, Ga., and South Jacksonville, Fla.

The Campus Calendar

Fall Semester

Aug. 23	College opens for freshmen and transfer students		9:00 A.M.
Aug. 27	Opening Convocation—U. of Ga. President Fred C. Davison	Belk Auditorium	10:00 A.M.
Aug. 28	Classwork begins on fall semester		8:00 A.M.
Sept. 3	Student Volunteer Services program	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Sept. 10	Student Assembly	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Sept. 14	PC vs The Citadel, football	Charleston, S. C.	7:30 P.M.
Sept. 17	Student Assembly—James Dickey, Poet	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Sept. 21	PC vs Furman, football	Greenville, S. C.	7:30 P.M.
Sept. 24	James H. Thomason Library Dedication Dr. C. Hugh Holman of U. of North Carolina faculty	Belk Aud. & Library	11:00 A.M.
Sept. 28	PC vs Lenoir Rhyne, football	Johnson Field	7:30 P.M.
Oct. 1	Ramsey Lewis Trio Concert	Belk Auditorium	8:15 P.M.
Oct. 5	PC vs Wofford, football	Spartanburg, S. C.	7:30 P.M.
Oct. 8	Edna Rostow—"What's Happening to 'The Family'?"	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Oct. 12	Youth Day—PC vs Mars Hill, football	Johnson Field	2:30 P.M.
Oct. 15	Performers' Committee for Twentieth Century Music	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Oct. 19	PC vs Elon, football	Burlington, N. C.	7:30 P.M.
Oct. 22	"The Merchant of Venice"—New Shakespeare Company	Belk Auditorium	8:15 P.M.
Oct. 26	Parents Day—PC vs Western Carolina, football	Johnson Field	7:30 P.M.
Oct. 29	Student Assembly—Hugh Jacobs	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Nov. 1	Homecoming Dance	Greenville Hall	9:00 P.M.
Nov. 2	Homecoming—PC vs Catawba, football	Johnson Field	2:30 P.M.
Nov. 6-9	PC Players	Black Magic Theater	8:15 P.M.
Nov. 8	Executive Day—Conrad Teittel	Belk Auditorium	11:30 A.M.
Nov. 8-9	Board of Visitors meeting		
Nov. 9	PC vs Gardner-Webb, football	Johnson Field	2:00 P.M.
Nov. 11-12	Board of Trustees meeting		
Nov. 12	"Pilgrimage to Mecca" (narration and film)	Belk Auditorium	8:15 P.M.
Nov. 13	"A Streetcar Named Desire" (presented by SCORE)	Belk Auditorium	
Nov. 14	Two one-act plays (presented by SCORE)	Belk Auditorium	
Nov. 16	PC vs Carson-Newman, football	Jefferson City, Tenn.	2:00 P.M.
Nov. 19	Dr. Lawrence W. Bottoms, Presbyterian US Moderator	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Nov. 21	Richard Phillips, guitarist; Paula Hatcher, flutist	Belk Auditorium	8:15 P.M.
Nov. 22	PC vs Francis Marion, basketball	Florence, S. C.	
Nov. 23	PC vs Francis Marion, basketball	Florence, S. C.	
Nov. 27 - Dec. 1	Thanksgiving Holidays		
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Dinner at PC; PC vs Newberry, football	Johnson Field	2:00 P.M.
Nov. 28	PC vs Lee College, basketball	Cleveland, Tenn.	
Nov. 29-30	Lee College Thanksgiving Basketball Tournament	Cleveland, Tenn.	
Dec. 4-7	Lander Invitational Basketball Tournament	Greenwood, S. C.	
Dec. 6-7	Madrigal Dinner-Concerts	Greenville Hall	7:30 P.M.
Dec. 10	Student Assembly	Belk Auditorium	11:00 A.M.
Dec. 10	College Student Recital	Belk Auditorium	5:00 P.M.
Dec. 10	PC vs Mars Hill, basketball	Mars Hill, N. C.	
Dec. 18 - Jan. 7	Christmas Holidays		
Dec. 19	PC vs Middle Tennessee, basketball	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	
Jan. 7	PC vs Coastal Carolina, basketball	Conway, S. C.	
Jan. 8	Registration for spring semester		

Beautified Center Plaza Where Judd Once Stood

Another \$25,000 gift to Presbyterian College from retired Laurens County businessman James H. Thomason, Sr., gives impetus to the development of a beautified center plaza with walkways and fountain in the campus area in front of the new Thomason Library.

Business Manager G. Edward Campbell said the funds will go into the Thomason Library Endowment to help underwrite operating costs. The fountain will be named for the donor.

Thomason earlier had made substantial contributions to PC for library construction and other purposes as indicated in the library dedication story on page one.

Work already has begun on the center plaza, in the area between Neville Hall and Richardson Science Hall which was occupied by Judd Building until it burned last December. Landscaping follows the natural contours of the section which measures 200 feet wide by 360 feet long. In the center will be a 20 by 40-foot elliptical pool with a three-spray fountain lighted from within the water.

Outer walkways also will form an ellipse, and there will be four interest points with statuary and benches at each corner of the area. Cultivation

over the next several months will add lawn grasses and plantings of azaleas, camellias, dogwoods, junipers, spiraea, and various other shrubs, flowers and bulbs natural to this region.

The work is being done by Clinton contractor George Reid and the PC maintenance department following a plan designed by landscape architect Hugh Harris of Greensboro, N. C.

Executive Day to Feature Tax Expert Conrad Teitell

Conrad Teitell, director of Philanthropy Tax Institute and a national authority on tax law, will conduct an Executive Day seminar on "Philanthropy and the Tax Law" at Presbyterian College on November 8.

Bankers, estate planners, insurance executives, tax attorneys and certified public accountants are being invited to this program held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the PC board of visitors.

They will hear Teitell discuss the

Annual Giving Hits \$106,700 in September

Annual Giving was maintaining its steady pace through early September, with \$106,700 already contributed by 1,330 alumni, parents and friends.

Participation runs ahead of last year at this date, although the total amount is slightly behind the September, 1973, figure. The goal for this year is \$230,000.

Alumni set their fastest pace ever, with \$63,000 subscribed by 964 donors. PC Associates (board members and faculty) show \$16,650 from 55 donors; parents, \$6,000 from 72; and friends, \$21,050 from 239.



whole issue of taxation and philanthropy and explain the tax law amendments now being considered in Congressional committee. He will deliver two one-hour lectures separated by a noon-day luncheon.

In a similar appearance at PC three years ago, Conrad Teitell drew several hundred business executives for the lectures he delivers nationally on tax-encouraged giving and estate-planning. He also is an author and publisher of **Taxwise Giving**.

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